



The Public Affairs Section of the U.S. Embassy in Rabat, Morocco is pleased to announce:

THE 2013 STUDY OF THE UNITED STATES INSTITUTE FOR STUDENT LEADERS ON **WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP**

This particular institute is open to female applicants only

The Public Affairs Section of the U.S. Embassy in Rabat is seeking candidates for the 2013 Study of the United States Institute (SUSI) for Student Leaders on Women's Leadership. Female undergraduate students from universities and other institutions of higher education, between 18 and 25 years of age, who demonstrate leadership through academic work, community involvement and extracurricular activities, have a strong interest in women's leadership and have a good command of English, are invited to apply for the program. The program offers up to nine (9) scholarships to the Moroccan undergraduate students. ***The application deadline is Friday, December 14, 2012.***

PROGRAM OVERVIEW:

Study of the U.S. Institutes (SUSI) for Student Leaders are intensive academic programs whose purpose is to provide groups of undergraduate student leaders with a deeper understanding of the United States, while simultaneously enhancing their leadership skills. The Institute on Women's Leadership will consist of a balanced series of seminar discussions, readings, group presentations, and lectures. Educational travel to other parts of the United States, local site visits, and volunteer opportunities will complement the coursework and classroom activities. The Institute will include an academic residency component of approximately four weeks and a domestic study tour of approximately one week.

The Study of the U.S. Institute on Women's Leadership will examine the history and participation of women in public life in the United States. The Institute will focus on two major areas: (1) Developing participants' leadership skills in areas such as critical thinking, communication, decision-making, and managerial abilities; and, (2) Placing these abilities in the context of the history and participation of women in U.S. politics, economics, culture, and society. The Institute will examine the historical domestic progress towards women's equality in the United States, the current domestic successes and challenges to women in a variety of fields, and current challenges in global women's issues.

All participant costs, including program administration, international and domestic travel and ground transportation, book, cultural, mailing and incidental allowances, housing and subsistence will be paid by the U.S. Department of State.

CANDIDATE QUALIFICATIONS:

Competition will be based on the candidates' interest in Women's Leadership issues, the potential of the candidates to become student leaders through academic performance, community involvement and extracurricular activities. While all candidates will have a strong interest in women's issues, their fields of study might vary, and can include disciplines such as Sciences, social sciences, humanities, education, business, and other professional fields.

The competition is open to all applicants who meet the following minimum criteria:

- be proficient in English;
- be interested in the topic of Women's Leadership;
- be between 18 and 25 years of age;
- have at least one semester left of their undergraduate studies, and therefore be committed to return to their home universities following completion of the program;
- demonstrate strong leadership qualities and potential in their university and community activities;
- indicate a serious interest in learning about the United States;
- have a sustained high level of academic achievement, as indicated by grades, awards, and teacher recommendations;
- demonstrate commitment to community and extracurricular university activities;
- have little or no prior study or travel experience in the United States or elsewhere outside of their home country;
- be mature, responsible, independent, confident, open-minded, tolerant, thoughtful, and inquisitive;
- be willing and able to fully participate in an intensive academic program, community service, and educational travel;
- and,
- be comfortable with campus life, prepared to share living accommodations, and able to make adjustments to cultural and social practices different from those of their home country.

HOW TO APPLY?

Applications must be submitted by e-mail to rabatexchanges@state.gov with the subject name of "2013 SUSI-Women's Leadership" by Friday, December 14, 2012. No late applications will be accepted.

CONTACT

For more information, please contact the Public Affairs Section at rabatexchanges@state.gov or call 0537-66-8187.